

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/709,843	BALSDON ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Phallaka Kik	2825	

All Participants:

(1) Phallaka Kik.

(2) Melvin D. Chan (Reg. No. 39,626).

Status of Application: pending

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(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 24 April 2006

Time: 3:30PM

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

None

Claims discussed:

1-22

Prior art documents discussed:

None

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: In response to the Examiner's indication that claims 1-22 are subjected restriction requirements wherein group I, claims 1-12 drawn to a method for performing automated routing of a first track segment of the net based on the determined track width which is determined based on the determined current density function; group II, claims 12-15, drawn to a method for performing an automated routing of a first track segment of the net in a gridless layout based on the first track width provided; and group III, claims 16-22 drawn to a method for performing an automated routing of a first track segment of a net in the gridless layout using the created Steiner tree and the provided first track width; wherein the inventions are related together as combinations and subcombination useful together but can have separate utilities, Applicant's Representative elected to prosecute invention II, claims 13-15 without traverse..